plan for Disaster Management. Air India also provides family assistance to the aircraft accident victims to its all online stations which includes arranging tickets, hotels, transportation etc.

(c) and (d) Air India has not entrusted this arrangement to any private firm.

Traffic in metro routes

1486. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of rapidly increasing air traffic between major metro trunk routes like Delhi and Mumbai; and

(b) whether Government are considering any steps to resolve the problem if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Airports Authority of India has taken the following measures to improve Air Traffic Control (ATC) System so as to reduce congestion at major airports:

(i) Construction of additional **taxiways** such as parallel taxiways, rapid exit taxiway and other link taxiways to reduce the runway occupancy time and thereby increase the capacity.

(ii) Construction of additional parking stands.

(iii) Procedures for simultaneous use of both runways are proposed to be implemented.

(iv) Improved ATC procedures have been framed.

(v) Dedicated Clearance Delivery Position has been implemented at Mumbai and Delhi during peak period time.

(vi) Ban on general aviation aircraft during the peak periods at Delhi and Mumbai airports.

(vii) Upgradation of ATC automation system at Delhi and Mumbai airports.

(viii) Automatic Dependence Surveillance System—Controller Pilot Data Link Communication has been provided at Mumbai, Delhi, Chennai and Kolkata airports.